

LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF IDAHO
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IN THE SENATE

SENATE BILL NO. 1020

BY RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO FISH AND GAME; AMENDING SECTION 36-111, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE CERTAIN EXEMPTIONS RELATING TO THE PAYMENT OF MONEYS INTO THE FISH AND GAME SET-ASIDE ACCOUNT, TO PROVIDE CORRECT TERMINOLOGY AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

SECTION 1. That Section 36-111, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

36-111. FISH AND GAME SET-ASIDE ACCOUNT. (1) There is hereby established the fish and game set-aside account in the dedicated fund. The account shall have paid into it moneys as follows:

(a) Four dollars (\$4.00) of each steelhead trout or anadromous salmon permit sold, except that class 7 permits shall be exempt from this provision. Moneys from this source shall be used for the acquisition, development and maintenance of parking areas, access sites, boat ramps and sanitation facilities in salmon and steelhead fishing areas, for management of and research on steelhead trout and anadromous salmon problems, and for technical assistance with litigation concerning steelhead and anadromous salmon originating in Idaho.

(b) Two dollars (\$2.00) from each combination hunting and fishing license, or each hunting license sold, as provided in sections 36-406 and 36-407, Idaho Code, except that class 4 and class 7 licenses shall be exempt from this provision. Moneys from this source shall be used for the purposes of acquiring access to and acquiring and rehabilitating big game ranges and upland bird and waterfowl habitats. Unless it is inconsistent with the goals of the commission, it is the intent of the legislature that the commission negotiate lease arrangements as compared with outright purchase of private property.

(c) One dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50) from each pronghorn antelope, elk and deer tag sold as provided in section 36-409, Idaho Code, except that class 7 tags shall be exempt from this provision. Not less than seventy-five cents (75¢) of each one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50) collected shall be placed in a separate account to be designated as a feeding account. Moneys in this account shall be used exclusively for the purposes of actual supplemental winter feeding of pronghorn antelope, elk and deer. Moneys shall be used solely for the purchase of blocks, pellets and hay for such winter feeding purposes and/or for the purchase of seed or other material that can be shown to directly provide feed or forage for the winter feeding of pronghorn antelope, elk and deer. The balance of moneys realized from this source may be used for the control of depredation of private property by pronghorn antelope, elk and deer and control of predators affecting pronghorn antelope, elk and deer.

1 Moneys in the feeding account shall not be used for any purpose other
2 than winter feeding as herein specified. Moneys in the feeding account
3 may not be expended except upon the declaration of a feeding emergency
4 by the director of the department of fish and game. Such emergency need
5 not exist on a statewide basis but can be declared with respect to one
6 (1) or more regions of the state. The department shall by rule estab-
7 lish the criteria for a feeding emergency. The department shall submit
8 a yearly report to the senate resources and environment committee and
9 the house resources and conservation committee of the legislature on or
10 before ~~the 31st day of July~~ 31, detailing how funds in the feeding ac-
11 count have been expended during the preceding fiscal year.

12 (d) Those amounts designated by individuals in accordance with section
13 63-3067A(3)(a), Idaho Code, and from fees paid under the provisions of
14 section 49-417, Idaho Code. Moneys from these sources shall be used for
15 a nongame management and protection program under the direction of the
16 fish and game commission.

17 (e) Money derived from the assessment of processing fees. Moneys de-
18 rived from this source shall be used as provided in section 36-1407,
19 Idaho Code.

20 (2) Moneys in the fish and game set-aside account and the feeding ac-
21 count established in subsection (1)(c) of this section are subject to appro-
22 priation, and the provisions of section 67-3516, Idaho Code. Moneys in the
23 fish and game set-aside account and the feeding account shall be invested
24 by the state treasurer in the manner provided for investment of idle state
25 moneys in the state treasury by section 67-1210, Idaho Code, with interest
26 earned on investments from each account to be paid into that account.